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Pentagon "Studies" Troop Call-Up As Kennedy Edges Closer To War

Africans Fight Machine Guns With Rifles and Sticks

(But Pittsburgh Courier Never Heard of This!)

If you want to read about a paradise on earth, you should read the *Pittsburgh Courier* for July 1.

Where is this paradise? Why, in Portuguese Africa—especially in Angola!

There, a *"tribal native can be the equal of a white man."* There, *"the Portuguese practice the interracialism they preach"!* There, *"non-whites rise to important government positions."* There, *"the non-whites vote"* and *"the tribal natives are secure in the occupancy of their land"!*

If you don't believe this, the *Courier* has 16 pages of facts and figures, proofs and pictures to convince you—plus eloquent articles by George S. Schuyler, who made a special trip to Africa to find out all these hidden "facts" and tell these lovely lies.

"A World of Beautiful Cities," says the caption on the center-fold. And 20 beautiful pictures greet the beholder. The Marina at Luanda—with a graceful curve of beautiful buildings facing the water; the Bank of Luanda, arched and appropriately domed; two stately post offices; a palatial movie house, a well-landscaped park (in fact, three different parks in two different countries!); a swank hotel, and so on.

"God Is Everywhere!" says page 7—with no less than seven churches pictured for God to live in (all of them Portuguese Catholic, by some interesting co-incidence!)

There is *"Progress in education"* says page 11, and on page 12, is a *"planning and building boom"* in *"An Expanding African Economy."*

It's just the most wonderful world and a real paradise indeed, according to the *Courier*. Africans are plant foremen, machinists, even big newspaper owners.

For 16 pages you find everything—except *one* thing—namely, the *truth*.

This whole disgraceful, handkerchief-head recitation does not once mention the present uprising of the Angolan people against these Godly Portuguese imperialists!

Portugal's mass arrests of Angolans is not even hinted at. Nor are the terrible atrocities of the Portuguese troops against the almost unarmed Angolan population.

Shortly before the *Courier* hit the streets with this whitewashing fairy tale, the Portuguese arrested 1500 people in Lolito, *all of whom have completely vanished.* No word of this dis-

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But First Casualty in Wall St.'s "War of Nerves" Will Be Labor's Rights and Minorities' Freedom

It would be the most irresponsible folly to underestimate the mid-summer madness that now possesses the U.S. capitalist class and its chief steward and caretaker, John F. Kennedy. It is necessary to say clearly and without equivocation that Kennedy and his Administration are already on the irreversible path to war.

This does not necessarily mean that war will begin in the next few weeks. But it does mean that the leaders of U.S. capitalism have *already* made some fateful decisions that they are not informing the American people about.

For example, the call-up of the reserves and the National Guard is an extremely serious thing. It could not be contemplated without other, *secret* decisions having *already* been made.

It is so serious that the usually staid and cautious New York Times editorialized immediately that *Kennedy was not serious enough.* It felt that *more* than a mere "study" was needed.

"What is needed now is decision and action," the *Times* said.

In other words, the more sober-minded experienced wing of U.S. capitalism is really saying: *"Don't bluff. Don't play around. Back up your words with force."* And so on.

(The last time the U.S. reserves were called up was for the Korean War. The last time the National Guard was called up was about a year before the U.S. entered World War Two.)

But *whether or not* there is a war in the near future, the government is already on the road to much greater military spending; the military brass are getting the bit in their teeth, and will be able to force through all kinds of *extra* purchases by the government from their favorite manufacturers (with a nice bonus for the military for getting the orders); and Congress will be too intimidated to refuse the increased demands for money.

There is already a new dispute about the usefulness of bomber planes (in the light of missiles and rockets being superior). But bomber planes are so much more expensive and so much more profitable to so many big corporations!

There is the long-smouldering dispute about atomic war versus ordinary war which is now-bursting out again. But this also reflects the interests of different corporations as much as it represents military strategy.

As the war fever grows, the probability is that the government will spend the people's money for *both* kinds of war.

This means that the working people will be called upon for more and more sacrifices.

—Remember when Kennedy said, *"Ask not what your country can do for you; ask rather what you can do for your country"?*

Well, that's what he meant.

Afro-Americans Shoot Back;

KKK Attempts to Murder Rob Williams

The Southern racists will shoot and attempt to murder Afro-Americans for the "crime" of trying to swim in the only swimming pool in town.

Exaggeration?

No. This is exactly what happened three weeks ago in Monroe, North Carolina.

And when the racist attempts failed to intimidate the Black Freedom Fighters, the local officials *closed down the pool!*

Peaceful, unarmed Afro-American pickets were fired upon for daring to demand their right to swim in a pool financed in part by their own tax money.

They withdrew from the scene and returned with guns ready to meet bullets with bullets. Needless to say, the white supremacists shot no more bullets that day.

But later, Robert F. Williams, leading spirit of the action, was nearly killed by a thug in a 1955 De Soto who tried to overturn Williams' small English Hillman on Roosevelt Boulevard and force it into a deep gully.

In both the shooting and the car incidents, the police stood by and "smiled with delight"—as Williams says in the *Crusader*.

A telegram describing the situation was sent to Attorney General Robert Kennedy. So far, there has been no answer from Kennedy.

Protest Meeting Raises Money for Guns

NEW YORK, July 10—The Afro-American Alliance for Action held a meeting here tonight *to raise money for guns* for the Black Freedom Fighters of Monroe, North Carolina.

The meeting was chaired by Charles Dargins. Julian Mayfield, well-known novelist and Conrad Lynn, fighting civil liberties attorney, addressing the meeting, told the heroic story of a black community at bay and added fresh details to the murderous events depicted in the accompanying story.

Shortly after the attempt to murder Williams a crowd of 2,500 whites converged on the swimming pool where the pickets were marching—fortunately still armed. Williams and a friend drove up in a car, were surrounded and threatened by the crowd. The police tried to *arrest* Williams "for his own protection." Williams refused to be arrested, and he and his friend had to defend themselves against "arrest" with *guns*.

Monroe is an armed camp. But the Afro-Americans need *more* arms. And they need them badly.

The audience tonight gave several hundred dollars for rifles.

More money is needed, and can be sent to Mae Mallory, 212 W. 129 St., Apt. 12E, N.Y., N.Y. — or direct to Rob Williams, 410 N. Boyte St., Monroe, N.C. (Mrs. Mallory is Treasurer of the New York Crusaders for Freedom.)

Kennedy on Fourth of July: "It is a source of satisfaction to me that on our 185th anniversary, the United States is still committed to those revolutionary principles of individual liberty and national freedom for all people which motivated our first great leaders."

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Friend of Labor

John F. Kennedy pulled the Taft-Hartley Act on the Maritime workers just 17 days after their strike began and forced them back to work under the same conditions they had been striking against.

Now Kennedy is trying to get legislation passed that is even more drastic than this, giving him practically dictatorial powers over labor. He is asking for more effective "weapons" (his own word) to deal with major strikes.

—And some people still think the Democrats are "not so bad" as the Republicans!

Forced to Free Winston

We rejoice that Henry Winston is out of jail.

Imprisoned for the "crime" of radical ideas, blinded and half-paralyzed by government neglect in prison, cruelly refused any pardon for years, he was at last freed by a Presidential commutation of his sentence.

But it must be remembered that Cuban Premier Castro offered to exchange three counter-revolutionary prisoners for Albizu Campos, Francisco Molina and *Henry Winston.*

We are thankful for Winston's freedom.

But should we thank John F. Kennedy—or Fidel Castro?

First, Invasion — Now, the Siege

A gleeful note was struck by the Big Business propaganda press the other day.

There were special stories, photos of Castro on TV, and real quotations of Castro's open admission that there were certain shortages of some foods and other items in Cuba.

This was what they've been waiting for! This was what they've been predicting! Now they could say, "We told you so!"

Actually, it's more than that, even. It's what they and their fellow imperialists *have planned and engineered all along.*

Yes, they planned it. But they had planned for it to happen some months ago.

When the U.S. Big Business office boys in Washington cut off the Cuban sugar quota and laid an almost complete embargo on shipments to Cuba, they thought the Cuban people would come crying to Wall Street for help. They thought there would be a *counter-revolution* in Cuba, caused by the shortage. They thought the invasion of last April would be aided by the food and commodity hunger the Cubans were sure to be suffering from.

Well, they were wrong.

—And they're still wrong.

Cuba is going through a hard period. But a revolution is a stronger thing than the fat boys of Wall Street can hope to understand.

The Cubans will win their revolution yet. And they will live to see the U.S. workers make the Wall Street sugar kings and their anti-Cuban newspapers *eat their words!*

Two Important Lessons

There are two lessons to be learned from the overthrow of the Chang parliamentary government in South Korea and its replacement by a right-wing military dictatorship.

1. It was done under the nose of the U.S. Army which occupies South Korea, trains and supplies the South Korean Army.

The U.S. Army brass made no move at all to stop this "revolution" because the new government was right-wing, anti-labor, anti-democratic and anti-Communist. And that is the kind of government the U.S. brass likes.

The first lesson is that the U.S. Army represents U.S. Big Business and always backs the most conservative factions in the foreign countries it rules or occupies.

2. The heroic move of the South Koreans in getting rid of Syngman Rhee last year, has now apparently come to nothing, since the present military dictator, Gen. Pak Chung Hi is, if anything, more reactionary than Rhee.

How could such a thing have happened, when the South Korean masses were so explosive in their insistence upon a new deal just a year ago?

It happened because no revolutionary political party took the power and organized the country. That is the second, but more important lesson.

The South Koreans used up enough steam last year for *two* revolutions, but still didn't accomplish *one.*

No matter how much pressure the masses apply, if the ruling class or its representative—*no matter how liberal*—is left in power, the pendulum always swings back to the *right.*

That is why there will have to be a new revolution from the left—by the masses—to accomplish even the limited aims of the demonstrations of 1960.

When that time comes, however, the masses will look for a workers and peasants party to *take the political power,* and repress their military, capitalist and feudal enemies so their revolution can be successful.

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Yankee Judge Gives "Justice" To Cuban Frame-Up Victim

By Kitty Fisher

On June 29, Judge Mitchell Schweitzer ascended his bench in his long black robe, glanced at the jurybox full of reporters, and imposed justice—*imperialist* justice—on Francisco Molina. The sentence was 20 years to life.

Turning down a defense motion for a new trial, the headline-hunting judge oiled over his own and associates' guilt with a defense of what he called a *"fair and just trial without international overtones."*

"Fair"—when Molina was convicted before he was even arraigned, by screaming headlines calling him "The Hook, a Pro-Castro Terrorist"!

"Just" — when evidence was suppressed and witnesses threatened!

"Without international overtones" — when the globe-plotting CIA, secretly transported Cuban counter-revolutionaries from a base in Guatemala to perjure themselves at Molina's trial. (The same CIA brazenly ordered this "fair" judge to spare these witnesses the embarrassment of having to answer questions about their "activities" in Miami and Guatemala!)

Molina was framed and convicted of second degree murder in the death of a little Venezuelan girl who was struck by a stray bullet during a fight by opposing Cuban groups in a New York restaurant.

The prosecutor's scheme to identify Molina as the gun-wielder rested entirely on the testimony of witnesses admittedly under pressure or witnesses who were anti-Castro political enemies of Molina.

Widespread belief in Molina's innocence led to the formation of the Committee to Defend Francisco Molina. This group is now campaigning for Governor Rockefeller to grant Molina a pardon.

At the same time, the case has been filed for appeal with the New York State Court of Appeals.

The Committee is asking for funds to aid in the defense and to provide Molina with pocket money for cigarettes, etc. Contributions can be sent to:

The Committee to Defend Francisco Molina, 154 Nassau St., New York, N. Y.

Why Kennedy Drags Country Ever Closer to the Brink of War

A lot of wars have started in order to change the terms of a peace treaty dictated by the victors of a previous generation.

But imperialism's contemplated Third World War is the first one ever to be planned to *prevent* a peace treaty!

The Soviet Union wants to make a peace treaty with East Germany (German Democratic Republic). And U.S. Big Business is apparently willing to start a nuclear war if the Soviet Union does this. Why?

A peace treaty between the Soviet Union and East Germany will tend to crystallize the status quo of Eastern Europe in favor of the Soviet Union and the international working class. By the same token, it will be a *setback* to Big Business.

However, the U.S. has "gone to the brink" before and there has been no war. Why is the danger any greater *now?*

Every worker must understand that a strong minority of the U.S. ruling class, along with most of the military brass, *wants* war with the Soviet Union —and the *majority* of the ruling class wants things that only a victorious war can bring.

Soviet intransigence on Berlin and East Germany is preventing Big Business from getting what it wants. The Soviet Union is not asking for any addition to its territories or its allied territories. But it *is* demanding U.S. recognition of the new situation in Eastern Europe and in effect asking guarantees that that situation will not be altered.

All previous U.S. foreign policy since World War Two has been based on the assumption that the U.S. would eventually *change* the situation and "roll back" the Soviet Union. Now the Big Brass are face to face with a fundamental challenge to that assumption.

This is a *defensive* challenge on the part of the Soviet Union. But it is made from a position of great strength. Hence the crisis.

Obviously, the Soviet Union does not want war. Again and again, it has proposed general and complete disarmament of all nations. But it is as if it had never spoken.

The situation is deceptive. The papers are working overtime to create the impression that the "other side" wants war. Again and again the editorial writers say that ". . . *this summer resembles the fateful summers of* 1914 *and* 1939"—completely ignoring the peace proposals of Khrushchev. The American masses are being led towards a fatalistic acceptance of a war their own bosses are preparing.

And the situation is deceptive in another way, too. The middle class, the intellectuals and many "radicals" think that since war is unthinkable, *it cannot happen!*

Kennedy and Big Business drew back from the brink in Cuba. They drew back from the brink again in Laos. Why should they act like the Angel of Death in Germany, rushing over the brink to take all humanity with them?

The truth is that Cuba and Laos represented *tactical* retreats for the war-makers, not retreats on principle.

For one thing, neither country offers a good "theater of war" from a military point of view. And politically speaking, as far as the sentiments of the Latin American or Asian peoples are concerned, an intervention in either place would earn U.S. imperialism the hatred of still more millions than hate it now.

Germany offers a much better "theater of war" with more solid capitalist allies in Western Europe and the still-glowing hope of counter-revolution in Eastern Europe.

As John F. Kennedy put it so cynically, and with so little contradiction, during his Presidential campaign last fall:

"Europe is worth a nuclear war."

Selecting a Mayor in New York

Teamsters Union Maps Organizing Drive In Face of Gov't and Bosses' Attack

When you read about James Hoffa's "corruption" — "insatiable greed for power" — "dictatorship" — "mobilizing his forces for war" — pause a moment to get the station identification, which is W-A-L-L Street, USA.

Whatever the deficiencies of Hoffa, (and they are no different from the deficiencies of the other big labor leaders—who are *not* being attacked) Hoffa is not being attacked for his deficiencies, but for his, and his union's *militancy*.

The real meaning of the attacks on Hoffa, the Congressional investigations, the court trials, the newspaper blasts and magazine "exposes" boils down to just one thing—a gigantic plot to bust the union. And the U.S. government is hand-and-glove with Wall Street in this plot.

At the recently-concluded International Brotherhood of Teamsters' convention, Hoffa displayed a transistor microphone that had been found hidden by FBI or other snoopers in Convention headquarters at the Carillon Hotel. And he revealed that 150 FBI agents were spying on the delegates.

It is easy to see why Big Business is so worried about the Teamsters and why it sics its FBI hounds on this union.

The Teamsters union has one million seven hundred thousand members. It covers virtually all truck drivers (especially over-the-road drivers) in the country. It has the ability to tie up U.S. industry quicker and more effectively than any other large union. (If Hoffa was a *Sunday School teacher*, he would still be called a racketeer by the U.S. bosses.)

And now the convention has announced a Southern organizing drive which, if it is even half as successful as Hoffa expects it to be, will threaten not only the Southern capitalists' profits, but also the whole "Southern way of life."

This will be intolerable to Northern as well as Southern capital.

Moreover, the Teamsters may join forces with the West Coast Longshoremen's Union in a dynamic new federation of labor. (The convention voted formally to go ahead with this federation.) And this federation might begin a militant campaign to organize all of the unorganized.

This, too, is intolerable to U.S. Big Business.

But even if the Teamsters should *not* go through with any of their big organization plans—even if they should *not* fight back against Big Business as much as we would like to have them do, they must be supported as a workers' union and defended against the present political and propagandistic assault the bosses have mounted against them.

CHINA BACKS AFRICANS

"The 650 million Chinese people resolutely support the armed uprising of the people of Angola against colonial rule and for national independence; they support the national liberation movement of the people of the other Portuguese colonies in Africa."

—From *Renmin Ribao*, China

Why Did Brass Hat Lose Temper At THIS Particular Congressman?

By Pedro Sanchez

Washington, June 7 — Just to prove that the jimcrow mentality begins *at the top* of the United States master class and is deep in the consciousness of its highest officials—

Here's a little item, buried on the inside pages of the June 8 *New York Times*—at the end of a long article explaining who said what at one of those Congressional hearings when the big brass demand more rockets, more artillery, bombs, planes, etc., for under-developed countries to "fight Communism."

One Congressman after another made his points for and against this phony "foreign aid." One of them even directly scored the *Pentagon* as a pretty poor "New Frontier" which had only "just trotted out some new shrubbery and changed some of the scenery around."

General Lyman L. Lemnitzer, Pentagon boss, who was testifying, was practically unruffled at this crack. And remember that Lemnitzer is *chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff*. This is the highest military office under the President himself.

Such is the traditional courtesy of the military to Congress. (Especially when the military is asking for money from those who hold the purse strings!—in this case, the House Foreign Affairs Committee.)

But when newly-elected Representative D. S. Saund, Democrat of California, suggested that military aid had been used in Southeast Asia to "perpetuate oppressive political regimes"—the General became enraged. And so did the urbane "intellectual" Secretary of Defense, Robert S. McNamara.

Of course, the big brass can't bear to hear the truth, and it is easy to see how they might get steamed up over the truth in this case — especially when they're trying to get the OK on $1,880,000,000 worth of munitions to purchase from their buddies in the U.S. for shipment abroad.

But D. S. Saund, beside telling the truth, committed another offense, too.

He is a man of color, born in India. He bears the original sin of the color of his skin.

So, as the *Times* says—"The Secretary and the General lost their patience."

— Africans Fight

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turbed the even tenor of the *Courier's* 16-page soap opera

At the very moment that edition of the *Courier* was being published, the Angolans were fighting with sticks and stones, bows and arrows, and—when they could get them — modern rifles, against the incredible odds of Portuguese machine guns, planes and liquid fire.

The governments of Ghana and Guinea have condemned the inhuman repressions of the Portuguese.

Even the imperialist government of the United States, blood brother to the Portuguese slave-holders—has voted a slap on the wrist to Portugal in the UN.

But the *Pittsburgh Courier*, written and published by African-Americans, has nothing but praise for the oldest of the slave-holding countries and the most brutal suppressor of the Africans!

NEWS ITEM: Circuit Judge, Hal P. Dekle, of Miami, ruled that Cuban property in the United States can be attached by any American capitalist who "lost" same in Cuba.

"Find every CUBAN-owned corporation, trust, million-acre estate, cattle ranch and nickel mine here—and expropriate it!"

Workers World Interviews Dominican Exiles in U.S.

After Trujillo — Reform or Revolution?

A great demonstration took place in the Dominican Republic (Santo Domingo) on July 7. The demonstrators burned down the pro-government Caribe Radio station. They hauled down the Dominican flag from the Palace of Justice and replaced it with the red and black flag of the Popular Dominican Movement.

Two days later the students at Santo Domingo University held their first unauthorized public rally in 31 years. It took scores of heavily armed police to break up the meeting.

President Joaquin Balaguer is sure to be ousted in the next few months. The big question is—**who and what will replace him?**

In seeking clues to the answer to that question, Workers World interviewed three leaders of the **Dominican Liberation Movement**, an association of six groups seeking an end of dictatorship and imperialist influence in San Domingo. They claim to be the largest organization of Dominicans in exile, and have sections in New York, Chicago, Venezuela, Cuba, France and Britain.

Mr. Alfonso Canto, Co-ordinator of the **Dominican Liberation Movement**; Dr. Rafael Calventy and Dr. Emilio Cordero, both executive members of the **Dominican United Front**; were spokesmen for the association.

* * *

In the recent demonstrations in your country, the name of the Dominican Revolutionary Party received prominent mention. Can you tell us something about this party?

We are well acquainted with the past performances of this right-wing organization and with its reactionary sectors in exile. Its three representatives, Angel Miolan, Nicolas Silfe and Ramon A. Castillo, have shown their contempt for the oppressed of our country by negotiating with the Dictatorship, and by their presence now as guests of the hated Dominican government.

But the three men you name were the speakers before the great demonstration last week. Doesn't this mean that the masses are pushing them to the left?

Possibly. But why were not the real fighters for Dominican independence allowed to speak in that demonstration? The **Dominican Popular Movement**, for example, has genuine popular support. It was their flag that the masses hoisted up on the Administration's flagpole. But its headquarters were burned soon after the demonstration.

Miolan, Silfa, Castillo and their **Dominican Revolutionary Party** are secretly glad about this, but of course do not dare to say so.

Besides the **Dominican Popular Movement**, another genuine revolutionary movement in the Dominican Republic is **The 14th of June Movement**. All of its leaders are in jail and it has been forced to exist underground. It tried to start an uprising in January, 1960, against Trujillo, and it has many devoted followers both in Santo Domingo and in exile.

Isn't it possible that the Dominican Revolutionary Party will be forced to get together with the more leftist Dominican Popular Movement you spoke of?

Yes. There is already a promised election planned for 1962. We believe that the most effective weapon against the Dictatorship is a coalition of all **honest** revolutionaries. But it would be dangerous to associate with reactionary interests or their representatives. You have to understand just how conservative this so-called Dominican "Revolutionary" Party really is.

Jose Figueres, for example, the former stooge-President of Costa Rica, who is rightly considered throughout Latin America as an agent for the U.S. State Department, supports this so-called Revolutionary party.

And the Dominican Dictatorship itself **invited** that party back from exile because it recognizes it as the **only group** which will not endanger its bloody rule.

The Dictatorship badly needs a "liberal" coat of whitewash. It wants to appease liberal opinion in the United States and get back in the OAS, too. Above all, it hopes for the annulment of the ban imposed by the United States on Dominican sugar exports last March. But everything must be done "safely."

Your organization, the Dominican Liberation Movement, is still banned from the Dominican Republic. Is that right?

That is correct. We are banned both by the Dominican Dictatorship and until recently the members of the **Dominican Liberation Movement** living in the U.S. were not allowed to leave U.S. territory.

A form letter has gone out from the U.S. Immigration Office to all steamship lines bearing the names of 150 persons and requesting the lines to **"prevent the departure from the United States of the following persons if going direct to the Dominican Republic or ultimate destination is the Dominican Republic."**

All the members of our organization on the list denounce the attitude of the State Department as a flagrant intervention into Dominican domestic affairs.

"You're selling yourself and not getting anything for it anyway. Better to be independent."

Weak Wills, Poor Brains, —Or Just a Sick System?

U.S. Big Business has poured billions of dollars of the U.S. workers' money into Southeast Asia. But the Southeast Asian revolution will nevertheless toss out the minions of Pepsi-Cola and Henry Ford in the not-too-distant future, you can be sure.

How do we know?

There are a hundred military and political signs. But here is an indication more subtle, less sensational, but more profound than many others:

Next year the U.S. State Department will train only four of its officers to speak any Southeast Asian language!

This is a drop of 60 per cent from the ten who are studying this year. Of that ten, by the way, only *two* are learning the language of Thailand—which resembles the language of *Laos*. (None are learning Laotian itself.)

The U.S. has already poured about $350 million worth of deadly military hardware into Laos and sent all kinds of military technicians there to teach the Laotians how to "fight Communism." In the last few months, in fact, it has sent 18 U.S. men to their *death* in Laos. But it is only teaching *two* men how to speak the language there.

Why do the imperialists fall so flat when it comes to something like learning the language of a country they say they are "aiding"?

The *New York Times* of June 11 gives one possible answer:

"One of the problems in inducing Foreign Service officers to devote time to studying the languages in areas such as Southeast Asia is the widespread feeling among them that such study will mean their assignment for much of their overseas duty to so-called hardship posts."

—Evidently the U.S. "experts" are not so happy about living in Laos, Cambodia, Thailand and South Viet Nam—the allies of U.S. "democracy."

But from the point of view of bringing the joys of U.S. jimcrow capitalism to these countries and controlling them for U.S. Big Business—this is just what has to be done.

The blame, of course, lies not with the poor brains or weak wills of U.S. intellectuals, but with the sick system in which they live.

The U.S. capitalist rulers have no way to *inspire* the youth of the United States to learn more than they have to. *But of course, hundreds of Soviet youth are learning the languages of Southeast Asia.*

—Many centuries ago, a king asked the great Euclid if he couldn't have a short, special, streamlined course in geometry, and since he was a *king*, be introduced to its secrets without too much strain on his kingly brain.

Euclid answered: *"There is no royal road to geometry."*

Unfortunately for the imperialists, and fortunately for the progressive forces of the world today—*there is no millionaire's road to the Southeast Asian languages*—no millionaire's road to the minds and hearts of the oppressed peoples of the earth.

The Slop Brothers At the Lie Factory

We are indebted to Joseph Alsop, the infamous roving reporter of imperialism, for informing us last month just how bad things are going in *China*.

He said people are starving so much that in a certain hospital, the attendants in a maternity ward are *eating the after-births* (!!!).

He didn't see this, himself, you understand, because the Chinese have too much self-respect to allow him inside their country. But he did say that a young girl "refugee" in Hong Kong who seemed well-balanced enough (to him) gave him this nugget of information for his highly-paid syndicated column

Joseph Alsop's method of telling such lies makes him very valuable to the imperialist bourgeoisie. He makes his lies sound like truth, and even presents them sometimes with an air of detached half-belief on his own part, and lets his readers "be the judge."

(There are some extremely high-priced *female* prostitutes who are adept at simulating love for the high-paying male lovers whom they do not love. They, too, are adept at making the lie sound like truth. But these women usually injure no one but *themselves*. They do not use their talents to slander whole nations and mislead millions in their own nation. Compared to prostitutes like Joseph Alsop, they are paragons of virtue and honesty.)

Not to be outdone by Joseph, his brother *Stewart* Alsop, has also mastered the technique of the lie—the same lie about non-white peoples and oppressed nations, too.

Writing in the *Saturday Evening Post* on February 18 of this year, Stewart Alsop casually "revealed" that *"a certain African hated all white people because his aged father had got into trouble with the Belgians for eating a small child to regain his youth."*

Of course everyone "knows" the Africans are cannibals, so it wasn't even necessary to say *who* the "certain African" was, or what the good, kind Belgians had to do to this terrible old man. And everyone knows how hard the Belgians were trying to "civilize" the Africans in the Congo, so why belabor the point?

And of course Stewart Alsop, who actually visited the Congo himself, never heard about the *Belgian murder of over 15 million Congolese in a single generation.*

But he did find out such important and "true" facts as these:

"It is because of the Belgians that the light goes on in your hotel room; (*whose* hotel room, Mr. Alsop?) *it is because of the Belgians that the government finances are kept in some kind of working order. . . ."*

—And it is because of the likes of Stewart and Joseph Alsop that millions of American people are prejudiced, completely misinformed and brainwashed into being zombie-slaves of the U.S. capitalist class.

Daddy, Sing Me Some Blues

By Charles L. Anderson

The following poem is the opening one in a new collection called *"Frustration—A Negro Poet Looks at America."*

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Black Man ain't got a chance in this mess
White Man got all the best
We got worse than less
Daddy, sing me some blues

Child cryin' from a broken down shack
Mother pickin' cotton in the field
There ought to be some kind of revolt
Daddy, sing me some blues

Daddy, Daddy, why you got to live
Blistered hands, pocket full of empty,
Drink of gin don't ease much load
Daddy, sing me some blues

Boss man reach in your pocket
Steal your soul
Make you rob your brother
Sing me some blues—

Partner, you need a gun!

Here's a Man Who Lost His "Freedom" in East Germany

The question of "freedom" being at stake in the crisis over West Berlin is a constant propaganda theme of the capitalist "free press."

This is a gigantic hoax for at least two reasons. First, because it is not "freedom" at all that imperialism wishes to preserve, but *capitalism*. And second, it is not merely that imperialism wants *West Berlin* kept safe for capitalism ("freedom"), but rather that it wants to extend capitalism to *East Berlin and the whole of East Germany*.

A short time ago, in West Germany, a certain Count Henkel (a millionaire "refugee" from *East* Germany) along with a few ex-Nazi West German industrialists and other "distinguished" persons, formed a committee called "Save Freedom."

This Count has a very special reason for bringing "freedom" to East Germany.

You see, before Count Henkel lost his freedom in East Germany—that is, before his possessions were expropriated by the workers in 1945, he owned 15,000 acres in Silesia, and 6,760 acres in Tarnowitz-Neudick. In the "good old days," his farm laborers worked for the handsome pay of 18 pfennigs per hour for males and 15 pfennigs per hour for females. (A pfennig is about one-fifth of a cent.)

It would have taken a woman laborer 183 days at 10 hours a day to earn enough to buy herself a modest tulle evening dress (275 Marks) such as the Countess wore.

These picturesque "free" farm laborers used to delight the hearts of wealthy European and American travelers who saw them. They used to bow and curtsey to the Count, and he, as befitted a free lord, used to have them whipped when they got drunk and unruly.

Today, his lands are the property of the people. The Count's former residence has been turned into a home for the aged, some of the occupants being the very same people who felt the good Count's horsewhip on their backs. Attractive houses for the workers of the new co-operatives have replaced the rat-infested cottages which housed the Count's former laborers. And there are of course, vacations, free medical care, decent schools for the children and so on.

—Do *you* want to go and fight for Count Henkel's "freedom"—if and when Kennedy declares war over Berlin?

Truth From a Fashion Editor

Elisa Daggs, a former fashion magazine editor and so-called "woman's writer" is writing a book on Africa. It is supposed to be a "travel" book for the Doubleday Publishing Company. She was told not to write about politics.

"But I can't separate politics from people," she said in a recent interview. "Everything is politics. It's the African's life, his club, his school, his home."

Africans are amazed by the inequality accorded to *women* in the United States, she said.

"Ghanaians are shocked to discover that an American woman may be paid less than a man for the same job. In Ghana, a woman gets the same money as a man for the same job."

African women come to political meetings with their babies in their arms. They are expecting and taking a greater role in politics on all levels. This fashion editor seemed to be a little proud of this, although she made the statements for the "women's and society page" of a newspaper which would much rather see the African women keep their babies at home.

Miss Daggs was also very disturbed about how Africans are treated in the United States.

"We must be courteous when they come here," she said. *"If we aren't, we will lose friends for our country."* (Meaning that the Africans will get wise to the real super-oppressive character of this jimcrow system and keep U.S. capital out of Africa.)

The Sheik of Kuwait receives $3 million per day from the British. So quite naturally, he called the British back in after Kuwait received its "independence" —for fear the Kuwaiti themselves might get the money.